

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	
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Franklin <i>et al.</i>)	Art Unit: 1615
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Application No.: 10/586,597)	Examiner: Neil S. Levy
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Filing Date: April 4, 2008)	Confirmation No.: 1640
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For: NEMATACIDAL COMPOSITIONS AND)	
METHODS OF USING THEM)	

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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February 15, 2011

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action mailed October 15, 2010, which set forth a three-month period for reply, *i.e.*, January 15, 2011. With this Response, Applicants also submit a Petition for an Extension of Time to extend the time period for reply by one-month, *i.e.*, to February 15, 2011. Applicants believe that this Response is timely filed and respectfully request that the application be reconsidered and placed in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims, as reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.